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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit attached Form PTO-1449 for consideration and request the references cited therein (copies included) be made of record by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application.

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Consideration of the foregoing plus the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609 are respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), this Information Disclosure Statement is filed in connection with a Request for Continued Examination, and therefore it is believed to be submitted prior to issuance of a first Office Action. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that no fee is required for consideration of this information. However, in the event any fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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